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Chambers did hand out some material to us on the 19th of May and dealing...hold onto this in case LB 48 doesn't come up today, has Senator Chambers' signature on it. Number one, germaneness Rule 7-3(d) will be suspended. And I think it's just following procedure, and this was sent out by Senator Chambers. So I think there is a tremendous misinformation. There is an incorrect assumption. Senator Chambers may have seen me scurry out twice this morning to the Rotunda. My first note was dealing with LB 743, the telemarketing bill, and I scurried back in. The second note was from a person I don't recognize the name, I had no idea who they were. I had a hard time reading their writing, but it was dealing with this bill, I have to admit. And I'd never talked to the person before in my life. So I'm not carrying water for the Governor's Office here in any way, shape, or form. Those are the two notes. If Senator Chambers would like to read them or look at them, that's fine. That's the two times I've been out in the Rotunda. I'm speaking from personal experience here. What's worked and what we've done to bear fruit. It's reality what's happened out there, and it's simply a fact that DED has done a good job. And all the private people out there, whether it was furnishing time or research or so on helped us out. They are there. NPPD has honestly a tremendous web site and lots of good people working over there, economists and business people. So it's out there, the facilities, or the help. The information and knowledge is out there, and they are more than willing to do it. So I'm going to oppose the germaneness suspension of the rules here simply because I oppose the bill, and I think that this is a topic that actually has apparently little support from the Rural Development Commission. There is no one yet in the Rotunda, that I know of, that's out there. They simply are just saying, let's be neutral on this, apparently. There is no plus or minus to it to them. So I will vote not to suspend the rules. Thank you.

SPEAKER BROMM: Thank you, Senator Baker. Senator Vrtiska.

SENATOR VRTISKA: Thank you, Mr. Speaker, members of the body. First of all, I want to address to Senator Chambers, I've served 11 years on the Ag Committee and I would agree with him wholeheartedly that he has done a great many things for rural